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Mr. David Ward
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Dear Mr. Ward,

Thank you for the submission of four (4) nomination requests for benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring. Mr. Jeff Talbott at the DEQ Northern Regional Office has reviewed your requests. Based on the nominations received from Loudoun Watershed Watch, we have composed a list of sites where DEQ will conduct follow up sampling and sites where we are unable to monitor at this time. The nominated streams that DEQ will be able to sample are below:

1. **South Fork Broad Run** - Based on the data from Loudoun Watershed Watch, DEQ will establish a benthic station near Rt. 621 for the 2011 (spring/fall) monitoring.
2. **Limestone Branch**- DEQ will establish a benthic monitoring station on Limestone Branch near e Rt. 15 for the 2011 (spring/fall) monitoring..
3. **Crooked Run** - DEQ has already established a station on Crooked Run and will monitor for benthics for 2010 (spring/fall) monitoring.
4. **Clark's Run** - DEQ has already established a station on Clark's Run and will monitor for benthics for 2010 (spring/fall) monitoring.

We appreciate the nominations submitted by Loudoun Watershed Watch. The citizen nomination process is an important resource to help DEQ identify waterbodies for sampling. DEQ makes every effort to have monitoring data available to the public. If you would like to learn more about current DEQ sampling efforts, please visit the website www.deq.virginia.gov/watermonitoring. If you have any questions about DEQ monitoring in your area, please contact Mr. Talbott at (703) 583-3902 or by e-mail at jeffrey.talbott@deq.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

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